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The response to restriction requirement did not elect any species, therefore, the response is not fully responsive to the restriction requirement. To reiterate, Examiner requests that Applicant elect an antimicrobial agent, a hydrocarboxylic acid buffer and a film forming polymer. Additionally, Examiner requests that Applicant also elect a surfactant.

Since the above-mentioned response appears to be a bona fide attempt to reply, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this notice within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) ARE AVAILABLE.

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